

purchase of a portion of Camp Stigwandish. The addition of this land into the public domain would allow for greater public access to open space. Land preservation enhances local communities and improves the quality of life for their residents. Approximately, \$500,000 is for land acquisition.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVEN C. LATOURETTE

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Chardon

Address of Requesting Entity: 111 Water Street, Chardon, Ohio 44024 USA

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$136,000 to widen and realign Park Avenue at the busy intersection of Wilson Mills Road, and also provide better sight lines for motorists so traffic can move more efficiently and safely. The project has been endorsed by the City of Chardon through its 1990 Thoroughfare Plan and its 2008 Comprehensive Plan. Approximately, \$106,000 is for engineering and \$30,000 is for surveying.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVEN C. LATOURETTE

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Sagamore Hills Township

Address of Requesting Entity: 11551 Valley View Road, Sagamore Hills, Ohio 44067 USA

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$343,000 to make necessary grade and drainage improvements along 4,300 feet of a 12-foot-wide walking and biking loop trail with handicap access to all 50 acres of Sagamore Hills Park, which links to Summit Metro Parks Trail. Sagamore Hills Park is the only public park within the township, and the loop trail includes fitness programming implemented through local schools, business and the YMCA. Approximately, \$318,000 is for construction, paving and other affiliated costs; \$25,000 is for design and engineering.

HONORING FATHER GREGORY BOYLE, S.J. ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD IN THE SOCIETY OF JESUS

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an inspiring spiritual and civic leader not only in the Boyle Heights community in the heart of my congressional district, but in Los Angeles as a whole.

This year, Father Gregory Boyle, S.J.—best known as Father Greg by all who meet him—is celebrating his 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood in the Society of Jesus. He is also celebrating the beginning of his third decade leading Homeboy Industries, the gang-intervention nonprofit organization that he founded to address the escalating problems and unmet needs of gang-involved youth. It is my pleasure to share with you some highlights from his ongoing work.

Father Greg was born in Los Angeles, one of eight children. His father, a third-generation

Irish-American, worked in the family-owned dairy in Los Angeles County. Father Greg and his siblings worked side by side with their father in the dairy. He graduated from Loyola High School in Los Angeles in 1972 and would later return to his alma mater to teach and serve as a faculty advisor for the student service program called Christian Action Movement (CAM). He also worked with Christian Base Communities in Cochabamba, Bolivia, before becoming an ordained Jesuit priest in 1984.

In 1986, his work in the Boyle Heights community that I am proud to represent began to unfold when Father Greg was appointed Pastor of Dolores Mission where he served for six years.

Homeboy Industries traces its roots to “Jobs For A Future” (JFF), a program created in 1988 by Father Greg at Dolores Mission parish. Father Greg and the community developed positive alternatives for gang-involved youth, establishing an elementary school and a day care program, while working to find legitimate employment for young people. JFF’s success confirmed that given an opportunity, many gang members are eager to leave the dangerous and destructive life on the “streets.”

In 1992, Father Greg launched Homeboy’s first business enterprise called the Homeboy Bakery. After 17 years, the bakery continues to provide training, work experience, and above all, the opportunity for rival gang members to work side by side. The success of the Homeboy Bakery created the groundwork for additional businesses, thus prompting JFF to become an independent non-profit organization, Homeboy Industries, in 2001.

Today Homeboy Industries’ nonprofit economic development enterprises include Homeboy Bakery, Homeboy Silkscreen, Homeboy Maintenance, Homeboy/Homegirl Merchandise, and HomegirlCaFO. Homeboy Industries, now located in Downtown Los Angeles in my district, serves thousands of young people each year, and has become a model for other organizations across the country.

It is currently enlarging its pilot Solar Panel Installation Training Program, where young men and women are trained and certified in this rapidly growing field. Father Greg remains a visionary, tapping into the green jobs and green economy movement and proving once again that we should invest in jobs, not jails.

As Executive Director of Homeboy Industries, Father Greg has become a nationally recognized expert on gangs and intervention approaches. Father Greg and several “homies” were featured speakers at the White House Conference on Youth in 2005, and he was a member of the California delegation to President Clinton’s 1998 Summit on Children in Philadelphia. Father Boyle is a member of the National Youth Gang Center Advisory Board and was a member of the State Commission on Juvenile Justice, Crime and Delinquency Prevention. Father Greg has received the California Peace Prize, the Lifetime Achievement Award from MALDEF, the “Humanitarian of the Year” Award from Bon Appétit magazine, the Caring Institute’s Award, the Civic Medal of Honor from the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and the James Irvine Leadership Award. The Los Angeles Headquarters Association honored Father Greg this year as one of the city’s leading

visionaries responsible for changing the face of Los Angeles.

The reach of Father Greg’s work also extends to our nation’s capital. As recently as March, I had the privilege of meeting with Father Greg in my Washington, D.C. office on a trip he made to lobby members of Congress about the need to support federal efforts to help at-risk youth and former gang members lead crime-free and productive lives.

Madam Speaker, Pedro Arrupe, S.J., the late Father General of the Jesuits, stated that the paramount objective of Jesuit education was to create “men for others.” To all who know him, Father Greg embodies this objective as he truly has conducted his ministry and lived his life as a “man for others.” I am honored and blessed to be among the many in our community who consider him a friend.

As we celebrate Father Greg Boyle’s 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood in the Society of Jesus and his 21st Anniversary of leading Homeboy Industries, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Father Greg—or G-Dog, as he is affectionately known to his homeboys and homegirls—on these milestones. Above all, we thank him for continuing to call us all to—as he says—stand with those whose dignity has been denied, to embrace the poor and powerless and voiceless, to stand with the demonized so that the demonizing will stop, and to create a community of kinship.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GLENN THOMPSON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as a part of H.R. 3293, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. The entity to receive funding is the Warren County Planning Commission, Warren County Courthouse, 204 Fourth Avenue, Warren, PA 16365, in the amount of \$350,000. Funding will be used to assist the construction of a building to provide health care services to residents in Warren County.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. DOMINIC “MICKEY” SGRO

HON. JOHN P. MURTHA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. MURTHA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the accomplishments of Mr. Dominic “Mickey” Sgro of Indiana, Pennsylvania. Mr. Sgro will be honored as the 2009 Labor Award recipient at the Blair/Bedford County Central Labor Council’s 29th Annual Person of the Year Event.

The spirit of labor runs deep for Mr. Sgro and his family. He is a second generation labor leader. His father was a former business agent for the IUE. Over the course of his career, Mr. Sgro has held a number of various

positions in AFSCME Council 83, based in Duncansville, Pennsylvania. These positions include staff representative, member of the Council Executive Board, and member of the Council Steering Committee. In February of 2006, Mr. Sgro became the staff director of Council 83.

In addition to his service to AFSCME Council 83, Mr. Sgro also spent 20 years working for PennDOT as an equipment operator. He also served the Local 2121 as its president and is now a member of the Retired Public Employees of Pennsylvania (RPEP), Subchapter 8306. He also serves on the Board of the Pennsylvania Employee Benefit Trust Fund (PEBTF) and the Executive Board of the Central Pennsylvania Area Labor Federation, AFL-CIO (Central PA ALF). He is also an alternate vice president to the AFL-CIO.

Over the years Mr. Sgro has been supported by his wife Jaime and his two daughters Danielle and Michelle.

Madam Speaker, I close my remarks by congratulating Mr. Mickey Sgro for the 2009 Labor Award and for all of his accomplishments.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mrs. EMERSON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Ozarks Medical Center

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 1100, West Plains, MO 65775

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for equipment in a new and expanded Emergency Department.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: One University Plaza, MS 1900: Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$205,000 for the Southeast Health on Wheels (SHOW) Mobile Program. The SHOW Mobile initiative is a health literacy, health promotional and disease prevention and primary health and dental care program designed to serve Southeast Missouri. The program is administered by the College of Health and Human Services of Southeast Missouri State University.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: One University Plaza, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to expand the services of Kent Library into a modern Information Commons concept and to link the same technical and support services that this renovation will provide to the students, faculty, and staff on the main campus, to the students and faculty on the River Campus, four regional campuses and the community within the University's service region.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Three Rivers Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: 2080 3 Rivers Boulevard, Popular Bluff, MO 63901

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$215,000 to upgrade the delivery and management of on-line learning system. This enhancement will make it possible to rapidly expand education/training programs, and the initiation of on-line degree programs.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Susanna Wesley Family Learning Center, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 207 N. Washington St, Box 249, East Prairie, MO 63845

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 for the Susanna Wesley Family Learning Center's Positive Alternative System Strategies to Work, or "Pass to Work," program will provide families with activities designed to emphasize good academic and healthy physical performance for at-risk children. In addition, this program will offer employment training, career counseling, and health behavior advice.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65897

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 for nursing and allied technology enhancements, specifically to create nursing clinical simulation laboratories at the West Plains campus to support their nursing and allied health programs.

COMMEMORATING THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TURKISH OCCUPATION OF CYPRUS

HON. SHELLEY BERKLEY

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Ms. BERKLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise to commemorate once again the anniversary of Turkey's illegal invasion and occupation of Cyprus, beginning in 1974, lasting up to the

present time. The division of Cyprus has wreaked havoc on the island nation and left its Turkish-occupied section in disarray. It is cruel that the Cypriot people should continue to be subjected to this conflict.

Three summers ago, we were all pleased to see the two sides reach a major breakthrough in the troubled history of this divided island. After years of conflict, both sides committed themselves to the re-unification of Cyprus based on a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation and political equality. By agreeing to these principles, they recognized the status quo is unacceptable and that continuing it only hurts Turkish and Greek Cypriots.

It is my hope—and I believe my colleagues share in my feeling—that the two sides will soon be able to begin full-fledged negotiations, leading to a final status agreement and the removal of all Turkish troops from the island. Last Congress, this House expressed its support for these efforts by unanimously passing H. Res. 405, of which I was a proud cosponsor.

Madam Speaker, we urge the two parties to move forward in their discussions and, at the same time, we urge the international community to step back and allow the Cypriots—and the Cypriots alone—to make the decisions affecting their future. No one can force an agreement on them.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GLENN THOMPSON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as a part of H.R.3293, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. The entity to receive funding is the Mount Nittany Medical Center, 1800 East Park Avenue, State College, PA 16803, in the amount of \$150,000. Funding will be used to support the expansion of its East Wing.

COMMEMORATING THE 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRAGIC ATTACK ON THE ARGENTINE JEWISH MUTUAL ASSOCIATION

HON. ANTHONY D. WEINER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. WEINER. Madam Speaker, I rise to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the tragic events that took place at the Argentine Jewish Mutual Association (AMIA) in Buenos Aires. This tragic attack on a Jewish community center in Buenos Aires left 85 innocent people dead and 300 wounded in what remains the largest terrorist attack in Argentine history.

This bombing is a reminder of the very real and dangerous threat of anti-Semitism in the world. In an ongoing investigation, the Argentinean courts formally charged officials in the